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Caravan to Washington to Raise AIDS Awareness Stops in Phoenix This Afternoon

Maricopa County Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox will Issue a Proclamation for National Day to End AIDS

WHO: Maricopa County Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox

WHAT: Cross-country caravan to Washington, D.C. to increase AIDS awareness stops through Phoenix.

Supervisor Wilcox will issue a Proclamation: October 25th is NATIONAL DAY TO END AIDS in

Maricopa County. WHEN: 4:00 PM

WHERE: The Phoenix Shanti Group

2345 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix, 85021; (602) 279-0008

AIDS activists are traveling across the United States in 10 caravans this month, stopping in more than 150 cities across the country to promote HIV prevention, increase AIDS awareness, and urge greater local, state, and federal involvement in the AIDS fight. The caravans will converge in Washington, D.C., on November 5 for four days of prayer, lawmaker visits, protests, and a rally called the March to End AIDS.

The caravan began in San Diego this morning and will arrive in Phoenix this afternoon. After staying overnight, they'll continue to Tucson to pick up participants there, then continue eastward to Washington, D.C.

At 4:00 PM this afternoon, caravan participants and other AIDS activists will meet at The Phoenix Shanti Group, a non-profit organization providing services to people living with HIV / AIDS. The location is: 2345 W. Glendale Ave., Phoenix, 85021.

At the event this afternoon, Maricopa County Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox will issue a formal proclamation making October 25, 2005 NATIONAL DAY TO END AIDS in Maricopa County, Arizona.